No. 15-648

Title:	V.L., Petitioner v. E.L., et al.
Docketed:	November 17, 2015
Linked with 15A522	
Lower Ct:	Supreme Court of Alabama
Case Nos.:	(1140595)
Decision Date:	September 18, 2015

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Nov 16 2015	Petition for a writ of certiorari filed. (Response due December 17, 2015)
Nov 16 2015	Application (15A522) to recall and stay mandate pending the disposition of the petition for a writ of certiorari filed by petitioner V.L., submitted to Justice Thomas.
Nov 18 2015	Application (15A532) to recall and stay mandate pending the disposition of the petition for a writ of certiorari filed by respondent Tobie J. Smith, Guardian ad Litem, submitted to Justice Thomas.
Nov 19 2015	Response to application (15A522) requested by Justice Thomas. (Due Monday, November 30, 2015, by4 p.m. EST.)
Nov 19 2015	Response to application (15A532) requested by Justice Thomas. (Due Monday, November 30, 2015, by 4 p.m. EST.)
Nov 25 2015	Consent to filing of amicus curiae briefs, in support of either party or of neither party, received from counsel for petitioner
Nov 30 2015	Response to application (15A522) from respondent E.L. filed. VIDED.
Nov 30 2015	Response to application (15A532) from respondent E.L. filed. VIDED.
Dec 1 2015	Consent to the filing of amicus curiae briefs, in support of either party or of neither party, received from counsel for respondent E.L.
Dec 1 2015	Reply of applicant Tobie J. Smith, Guardian ad Litem, as representative of three minor children filed.
Dec 1 2015	Reply of applicant V.L. filed.
Dec 2 2015	Consent to the filing of amicus curiae briefs, in support of either party or of neither party, received from respondent Tobie Smith, Guardian ad Litem.
Dec 4 2015	Order extending time to file response to petition to and including December 29, 2015.
Dec 11 2015	Brief of respondent Tobie J. Smith, Guardian Ad Litem in support filed.
Dec 14 2015	Application (15A522) referred to the Court.
Dec 14 2015	Application (15A532) referred to the Court.
Dec 14 2015	Application (15A522) granted by the Court. The applications for recall and stay of the Supreme Court of Alabama's Certificate of Judgment, in case No. 1140595, presented to Justice Thomas and by him referred to the Court, are granted pending the disposition of the petition for a writ of certiorari. Should the petition for a writ of certiorari be denied, this stay shall terminate

	automatically. In the event the petition for a writ of certiorari is granted, the stay shall terminate upon the issuance of the mandate of this Court.
Dec 14 2015	Application (15A532) granted by the Court. The applications for recall and stay of the Supreme Court of Alabama's Certificate of Judgment, in case No. 1140595, presented to Justice Thomas and by him referred to the Court, are granted pending the disposition of the petition for a writ of certiorari. Should the petition for a writ of certiorari be denied, this stay shall terminate automatically. In the event the petition for a writ of certiorari is granted, the stay shall terminate upon the issuance of the mandate of this Court.
Dec 15 2015	Letter dated December 15, 2015 received from counsel for petitioner waiving 14-day waiting period for the filing of a reply brief pursuant to Rule 15.5.
Dec 16 2015	Brief amici curiae of Conflict of Laws Professors filed.
Dec 17 2015	Brief amici curiae of Donaldson Adoption Institute, et al. filed.
Dec 17 2015	Brief amicus curiae of Constitutional Accountability Center filed.
Dec 17 2015	Brief amici curiae of Thirty-Two Family Law Professors filed.
Dec 17 2015	Brief amici curiae of American Academy of Adoption Attorneys, et al. filed.
Dec 17 2015	Brief amici curiae of Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders, et al. filed.
Dec 17 2015	Brief amici curiae of Family Equality Council, et al. filed.
Dec 21 2015	Brief of respondents E. L. in opposition ...ed.
Dec 29 2015	Reply of petitioner V. L. filed.
Dec 30 2015	DISTRIBUTED for Conference of January 15, 2016.
Jan 19 2016	DISTRIBUTED for Conference of January 22, 2016.
Jan 27 2016	Record Requested.
Feb 5 2016	Record received from the Supreme Court of Alabama and the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals. The records are SEALED.
Feb 8 2016	DISTRIBUTED for Conference of February 19, 2016.
Feb 29 2016	DISTRIBUTED for Conference of March 4, 2016.
Mar 7 2016	Petition GRANTED. Judgment REVERSED and case REMANDED. Opinion per curiam. (Detached Opinion)
Apr 8 2016	MANDATE ISSUED
Apr 8 2016	JUDGMENT ISSUED